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To: Judge Robert F. Stephens, Acting Commissioner (through channels)  
 From: Sgt. Tommy Burris (Supply)  
 Subject: Firearm Safety Device Inspection  
 Date: 2-1-2000

The safety device that Mr. Jonathan Buckley and Mr. Tony Hancock installed on the Sig Sauer model P-239 pistol has several good features would appear to make it a viable option on privately owned pistols. The way the device is installed it gives a positive lock to the firing mechanism of the pistol, does not interfere with the functioning of the pistol when in the fire mode, and releases easily. This device would be difficult for an unauthorized user to overcome.

I took the pistol to our Forensic Laboratory to use the firing range and fired 300 rounds of ammunition through it. This included 38 magazine changes with the safety device being cycled many times during a short period. The pistol was hot at the end of the test and the motor was becoming sluggish. The battery weakens when used in this manner but will recover when allowed to rest. I would not recommend this device for police use for this and other reasons, however, as an option on a pistol for civilian use as a home defense firearm that would be safe from unauthorized use it appears to have significant potential. Limited time for testing and evaluation does not allow for a determination to be made in regards to long term reliability and performance.

*Reviewed + clear  
 2-2-2000  
 Capt. John Ward*

*Tommy Burris*  
 Sgt. Tommy Burris

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